



GREEN ORCHID CAKE

**Bee sweet** What's the buzz around town? Sugar Flower Cake Shop's ([sugarflowershop.com](http://sugarflowershop.com)) popular honey buttercream icing, made by real NYC rooftop bees! There are actually beekeepers, like David Graves from Berkshire Berries ([bee-man.com](http://bee-man.com)), who are daring enough to maintain hives and collect honey from the skyline of Manhattan, Brooklyn and the Bronx. The quality honey gives the buttercream a "sting" of sweetness with an added depth of flavor.

**Badass band** No Adam Sandler wedding singers here—Juliana Riccardi Music Group ([julianariccardimusicgroup.com](http://julianariccardimusicgroup.com)) is made up of authentic recording artists within the present downtown NYC music scene. Choose the band you want, from an acoustic duo to a five-piece ensemble, to play an eclectic set list running the gamut from '60s soul to today's pop tunes, and anything in between.



They got the beat!



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BY KARINA TIMMEL

**Wish you could cook?** So, you have all your shiny new kitchen toys...now, know how to use 'em? Naturally-Tasty ([naturally-tasty.com](http://naturally-tasty.com)) is a personal chef service that provides a three-hour, customized "Cooking 101 for Newlyweds" class (\$350, excluding food) to teach you how to whip up some wholesome meals with a menu of



fresh, organic ingredients tailored to your culinary interest and skill level. Walk away knowing how to use that egg poacher you've been skeptically eyeing in your cabinet. Still registering? You can put it on your wish list at [newlywish.com](http://newlywish.com).

**Talent circus** For the bride and groom who live for shock value (or can't get enough of Cirque du Soleil!), talk to Smash Party Entertainment ([smashpartyentertainment.com](http://smashpartyentertainment.com)). They were recently on TLC's *Four Weddings* for a wedding that featured some unique entertainment—"living mannequins" during cocktails, violinist in sequins and bubble-acrobat show during dinner, stilt walker during dancing and a huge LED-lit butterfly escorting people to the door at the end. **A-Rod** (who celebrated his 30th birthday) and even the **Prez** and **First Lady** (who booked 'em for a White House event for the UN) are big fans.



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